

IN THE **UNITED STATES** PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE

APPLICATION OF:

Maxwell et al.

CASE:

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AMENDMENT AND COMMUNICATION

SERIAL NO: FILED ON:

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FOR:

RACK AND PINION WHEEL

DRIVE FOR AN

INDUSTRIAL SLIDING

BLADE DAMPER

ATTENTION OF:

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Dear Sir:

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If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 502428.

This is in response to the Office Action, mailed August 24, 2005, in the aboveidentified patent application. Please amend the application as indicated, and consider the following Remarks, toward reconsideration and allowance of the application.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 herein.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 herein.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 herein.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 8 herein.

Remarks begin on page 10.

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